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SUBJ: DISPOSITION OF EFFECTS

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1. POST REGRETS DELAY IN RESPONSE TO REFTELS, BUT SAUDI EMPLOYER, WHO CURRENTLY HAS CUSTODY OF EFFECTS, ONLY THIS WEEK BECAME AVWRLABLE FOR DISCUSSION REGARDING GRAY'S EFFECTS. THE GRAY'S EMPLOYER AND SPONSOR HERE HAS UNTIL NOW REFUSED TO GRANT CUSTODY OF EFFECTS TO CONGEN ON THE GROUNDS THAT THIS POST WOULD NOT ACCEPT LARLNAND BULK OF ITEMS IN THE

ESTATE (I.E., WASHING MACHINE, HEATERS, ETC.) FOR IMMEDIATE SHIPMENT. THE COMPANY HAS ALSO REFUSED TO FORUPQWJBE ESTATE DIRECTLY TO THE EXECUTORS BECAUSE DOCUMENTS RECEIVED FROM THE U.S. WERE NOT NOTARIZED BY SAUDI CONSULAR OFFICIALS. TO THIS POST'S KNOWLEDGE, LOCAL SAG OFFICIALS HAVE TO DATE MADE NO ATTEMPT TO CLAIM THE ESTATE THEMSELVES.

2. IN AN EFFORT TO EXPEDITE RETURN OF EFFECTS IN AN AMICABLE WAY CONSOFF MET PERSONALLY ON TWO OCCASIONS THIS WEEK WITH COMPANY OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EFFECTS. THIS REPRESENTATIVE, AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, HAS AGREED TO FORWARD ALL OF THE ESTATE BY AIR FREIGHT TO THE LAW
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OFFICE OF THOMPSON AND BAILEY, P.O. BOX 150, BAKER, LOUISIANA IN ACUKGCZCE
WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE ESTATE'S EXECUTORS. HOWEVER, MR. GRAY'S FORMER EMPLOYER DOES NOT YNT FEEL THAT THE LARGER USED APPLIANCES SHOULD BE SENT IN THIS WAY AND REQUESTS INSTRUCTI

NS REGARDING THEIR DISPOSITION. THE COMPANY
HERE HAS ALSO AGREED TO BEAR THE ENTIRE COST OF AIR
FREIGHTING THE ESTATE TO THE U.S.. THE COST OF SHIP-
MENT OF THESE LARGER ITEMS WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY FAR EXCEED
THEIR ACTUAL VALUE. COMPANY HAS ALSO AGREED THAT
CONGEN SHOULD PRESIDE OVER ANY LOCAL SALE OF SUCH
ITEMS AND TO FORWARD RECEIPTS TO THE EXECUTORS. CONGEN
IS FORWARDING LIST OF LARGER ITEMS TO THOMPSON AND
BAILEY'S OFFICE SO THAT DECISION MAY BE MADE REGARDING
LOCAL DISPOSITION OR SEA FREIGHTING ITEMS TO U.S. ALL
ITEMS NOT ON LIST WILL BE FORWARDED AIR-FREIGHT TO THESE
SAME OFFICES.

3. AS LEGAL COMPENSATION FOR THE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT
RESULTING IN THE GRAY'S DEATH, THE OTHER PARTY INVOLVED
RECENTLY HAS PAID A FINE OF SR64,000 (\$18,500.00 AT
SR3.45-\$1). MR. GRAY'S EMPLOYER HAS REFUSED TO ACCEPT
CUSTODY OF THESE FUNDS FROM LOCAL POLICE. CONGEN IS
CURRENTLY NEGOTIATING TO OBTAIN CUSTODY OF FINE ON
BEHALF OF ESTATE. NYOST PLANS TO CONVERT SAUDI
RIALS INTO DOLLARS AND FORWARD AMOUNT DIRECTLY
TO EXECUTORS. POST WILL ADVISE OF FURTHER
DEVELOPMENTS.
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